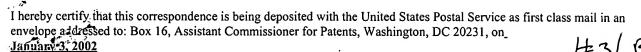
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Sir:

The filing fee of \$740 and an extra claim fee of \$450 (total \$1190) for a non-small entity was paid on December 3, 2001. I hereby state that the applicants and/or assignee if any qualify for and hereby claim small entity status. Accordingly, based on the Rules of Practice in Patent Cases, 37 C.F.R. §1.28, the applicant is entitled to reduced fees as a small entity and to a refund of the excess filing fee and the extra claim fee in the amount of \$595, which is respectfully requested. Please credit the overpayment to deposit account no. 04-0838.

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